







## The North End

Many of the Freedom Trail destinations are located in or near the historic North End, Boston's Italian neighborhood. It has a very European feel to it and houses the oldest public square in America. The North End is a culinary paradise with a large concentration of restaurants, bakeries and cafes. The streets are bustling with activity and festivals are held all summer long. The Paul Revere Mall (also known as the Prado) is a little brick-walled park with a famous equestrian statue of Paul Revere. The walls are lined with tablets that describe famous people and places in the history of the North End. It is a nice place to rest in between Freedom Trail sites.

## Required Supplementary Information Other than Management Discussion and Analysis



**Old North Church** 

On April 18, 1775, Robert Newman, sexton of the Old North Church, displayed two lanterns to warn Paul Revere and others of the British troop movements. Paul Revere's famous "midnight ride" began with that signal, and so did the American War for Independence. Newman held the lanterns from the northwest window of the steeple to warn the patriots in Charlestown of the British troops' march to Lexington and Concord.

Built in 1723, Old North is the oldest church building in Boston, and continues to serve a thriving, active Episcopal congregation. Its steeple is 191 feet tall, making it the tallest steeple in Boston. Its box pews are the highest of any church in America and were designated to keep worshippers warm. It also contains the first peal of bells ever brought to English America. They were cast in 1744 and installed in the tower in 1745. A young Paul Revere was a founding member of the guild of bell-ringers. They are still rung regularly.